

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 4, line 28 with the following rewritten paragraph:

--Therefore, the combination of wall 30 and baffle 32 prevent processing solution from splashing throughout the processing system, maintains the solution within chamber 20a for drainage to drain 22, and prevents solution from reaching suction path 26 and contacting vacuum pump 24. That is, as shown in Fig. 3, baffle 32 preferably includes a generally flat or horizontal section 32a that extends above a top surface of wall 30 and an inclined section 32b which is inclined in a direction towards first part 20a of vacuum chamber 20. This provides for the guidance of the suction force from vacuum pump ~~40~~ 24 and in addition, helps maintain the processing solution within the confines of part 20a of chamber 20.--